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CITIZENS DESIRE PROTECTION

The city council may rest assured that the citizens of Corvallis will not object to a fair expenditure for the improvement of the fire department. The citizens of Corvallis have reached that place where they would like to see everything that is done, done well. Corvallis wants the substantial, not the slipshod,

not the make-shift. Every vote taken the past year has demonstrated that the people have confidence in the future of this city and that they prefer to leave off the swaddling clothes and don knee breeches, if not the full-length trousers. Heretofore the plan has been to do that which would answer in a temporary way, and perhaps that was right at the time, but the present state of mind demands something more than that. In the case of the fire department, none desire the council to spend money for a lot of new and expensive trappery, but the public does desire adequate fire protection—it wants good equipment, some way of getting that equipment to the scene of the fire at the earliest moment possible, and firemen to use that equipment promptly and intelligently. If that requires the purchase of a team, the housing of that team at the City Hall, the hiring of a fire-chief who could act as groom and sleep at the City Hall, then the people

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PHILOMATH ITEMS

(Continued from page one)

Misses Hazel Windel and Olive Wallace and Harrison Wallace, students of the College of Philomath, returned to their home at Harrisburg, Thursday, for a short vacation.

Miss Hazel Archibald returned Tuesday from a short visit with friends at Summit.

Miss Ethel Weed, who has been attending college at Newberg, is spending the holidays visiting with relatives and friends in our city.

Mrs. McDonald and daughter Tressa have been visiting with the Hollisters, of Corvallis, the past week.

The Christmas exercises at the First U. B. church last Friday evening were attended by a large crowd.

Miss Belva Pierce was the guest of Miss Marvel Taylor for several days last week, returning to her home in Corvallis Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gellatly returned to their home in Corvallis Monday after spending several days, including Christmas, with relatives in Philomath.

Mrs. Haines and daughter, Emma, of Cottage Grove, are visiting relatives in our city this week.

Miss Lily Webster left Saturday for a few days visit with friends in Alsea.

G. A. Scott, of Plainview, a former resident of our city, was in town on business one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Saunders returned to their home in Corvallis Tuesday after a short visit with Mrs. Saunders' mother, Mrs. Berryman of this city.

Eder Wallace, of Rainier, visited here for several days with his brother, who is attending Philomath College. He returned to his home Tuesday.

Enos Kezell, who has been teaching in Southern Oregon this winter, is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. S. L. Kezell, of Philomath.

Chas. Logan, of Portland, is visiting relatives and friends in our city this week.

**NORTHWEST CORVALLIS**

Miss Della Leboveau, who has been visiting Frank Smith and wife, returned to Marysville, California yesterday.

G. W. Smith is on the sick list. The cold weather is pretty hard on a man 81 years old.

Mr. Pettit has started to build a \$2,000 house in Wilkin's addition. He doesn't want Frank Smith to do all the building there. And between us all, watch Job's and Wilkin's addition grow. This is the best part of town.

The city has a crew of men at work cleaning out the ditch on Polk Street from 10th to 19th. We thank the city very much for it was needed very badly. Every little helps to make Corvallis beautiful.

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